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To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

An Election/Restriction Office Action issued on July 1, 2002. A response was filed on August 1, 2002. A further Office Action on the Restriction was issued on November 5, 2002. A supplemental response is due December 5, 2002.

Applicant elects claims 1, 5, 6, 7, 12, 14, and 16 without traverse.

Applicant withdraws claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 from consideration at this time.

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